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SUBJ: LIBYAN OIL

REF: A) LONDON 11163; B) TRIPOLI 2196

[redacted] ALTHOUGH LONDON WORKING GROUP HAD GIVEN APPROVAL FOR OCCIDENTAL TO SUBMIT LETTER TO LIBYAN MINISTER OF PETROLEUM, AS DESCRIBED REFTELS, DECISION HAD BEEN MADE HERE TO HOLD UP ACTUAL DELIVERY. LOCAL LEGAL COMMITTEE HAS HAD TROUBLE AGREEING ON ACCEPTABLE LANGUAGE FOR LETTER AND NON-AVAILABILITY/ABSENCE OF MINISTER OF PETROLEUM MABRUK HAS ADDED FURTHER PROBLEM. DECISION HAS BEEN MADE HERE, SUPPOSEDLY WITH TACIT CONCURRENCE OF LONDON WORKING GROUP, THAT LETTER WILL BE DELIVERED ONLY TO MABRUK, ACCOMPANIED BY VERBAL EXPLANATION AND AMPLIFICATION BY ESPEY. GP-4.
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